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SUBJ: CIVAIR-BUTTERFIELD VISIT

REF: BEIRUT 10095

1. TO ASSIST RCAA IN BRIEFING OF FAA ADMINISTRATOR BUTTERFIELD, EMBASSY PROVIDES FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON PRINCIPAL EGYPTIAN CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS WHO WILL ATTEND FARMBOROUGH.

2. GENERAGL MOHAMED EL-SESSY-GENERAL EL-SESSY IS 50 YEARS OF AGE. HE GRADUATED FROM THE MILITARY AVIATION COLLEGE IN 1948 AND PARTICIPATED IN THE FIGHTING IN THE PALESTINE WAR THAT SAME YEAR. HE WORKED IN THE MILITARY AVIATION COLLEGE AS AN INSTRUCTOR/TEACHER FOR ABOUT 10 YEARS. DURING THE PERIOD OF THE EGYPTIAN/SYRIAN UNION HE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE CONTRACTS OFFICE FOR THE EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE IN SYRIA. FOR SOME 6 YEARS WHEN HE WAS A MAJOR GENERAL HE WAS A CHAMBERLAIN OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC. IN MARCH

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OF THIS YEAR HE WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY MINISTER FOR CIVIL

AVIATION IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION.

3. GENERAL GAMAL ERFAN CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EGYPTAIR, WAS BORN IN 1925. HE GRADUATED FROM THE MILITARY AVIATION COLLEGE IN 1944 AND SPENT HIS CAREER AS AN AIR FORCE OFFICER DURING WHICH HE SERVED AS AN ATTACHE IN SWEDEN. IN 1971 HE BECAME DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF EGYPTAIR AND IN THE BEGINNING OF 1973 WAS APPOINTED ADVISOR TO THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION. HE BECAME CHAIRMAN IN MAY OF THIS YEAR.

4. YEHIA EL-SHENNAWI WAS BORN IN 1920 AND SERVED IN THE EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE FROM 1941 WHEN HE GRADUATED FROM THE MILITARY AVIATION COLLEGE UNTIL 1967. IN 1955 HE ATTENDED THE COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF SCHOOL AT THE AIR WAR COLLEGE, MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE. FROM 1963 TO 1966 HE REPRESENTED EGYPT AT ICAO. HE SERVED AS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE CAIRO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT FROM JANUARY 1967, UNTIL MAY, 1971. SINCE THAT TIME HE HAS BEEN SERVING CONCURRENTLY AS FIRST UNDERSECRETARY FOR THE MINISTRY AND AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAA.

5. MUSRAFA EL-NAHAS HAS BEEN DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS SINCE MAY OF THIS YEAR HAVING PREVIOUSLY HELD THE POST FROM 69-71. HE WAS BORN IN 1922 AND HAS BEEN A CIVILIAN PILOT SINCE 1946. HE WAS IN 56 THE CHIEF INSTRUCTOR FOR THE COMET AND FLEW THE FIRST BOEING 707 FROM SEATTLE DIRECT TO CAIRO.

6. THE FOREGOING INFORMATION HAS FOR THE MOST PART BEEN PROVIDED BY DON PETERSON OF LOCKHEED. EMBASSY HOPES IT WILL BE USEFUL.  
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